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DR. F. R. JEWETT'S OPEN DAY AND EVENING.

O. T. MARSII, THE CRESCENT. Hense, Carriage and Sign Painting. Just over the gates of the gold and glow Where the sunset spirits are. She floats in the nebulous amber, low,

A golden cloud drifts back from her face Like the tress of her yellow hair: And the stars come out of their hiding place To bask in her beauty and feel her grace-E. P. TEWKSBURY. To woo her, she is so fair.

Her answers are soft as adagles Yet wayward and coy is she; When the petals close of the western rose, Evading them all, she silently goes

E. A. SPEAR, A MOTHER'S ORDEAL, \$ BY B. M. M'LACHLAN.



days a great fire in the forest up toward

harvest of silver, for he was a guide as well as a freighter on the river, and fire on the Oregon heights meant game on the lower, accessible levels . Jered had taken two parties of hunters up the river already; to-day he was away with the third, and on his return he must deliver three pigs sent to him for

Usually Jered's young wife did not fret at being left alone with the yearold baby, but now the heat and smoke oppressed her imagination, and made of hot water. her think of the end of the world, and tion at the beginning of the session. The set her wishing for some neighbor to purpose was then, as it is now, to secure | talk with. The baby, too, was ill at ease in the sultry, smoke-scented air, and cried fretfully as she tried to rock it to sleep after her early supper. From her seat, which was under a

pine behind the cabin, the little womon which her husand must return from his boat, but she could not see his the doors are to be thrown open and the boat-house or the river. It was possible that he might come home that evening, and her heart was sore with longing to see his tall form striding toward her. It was possible, too, that prophecy, but there is such discrepancy between their opinions as to render it necessary to discard one in order to accept the other. The friends of annexacted the path lest some stranger should the path the path lest some stranger should the path the path the path lest some stranger should the path the path the path the path the path lest some stranger should the path the take her by surprise.

sang to it, letting it lie unhugged on her lap that it might be the cooler. its crying ceased, and it seemed about to sleep with its face turned from her. But suddenly it shricked as if from some instinctive alarm, and turned to hands and burying its face in her lap.

The mother, wondering what had express confidence that action will be which instantly disappeared.

"A dog," she thought. Jered. Whoever it is will have to stay all night, for it's too late now to go in-the man will want supper."

find themselves compelled to participate in the proceedings, as they expect to advance points which will demand refuta-In view of this generally contradictory hair and "tidy" herself with one hand,

glass toward the door of the bedroom

quest of the administration to remain ability of a postponement until a fixed which had instinctively ceased to cry, pressed its head to her bosom and clutched with trembling hands.

Park Cuy, Utah, June 20.-Fire has destroyed the business section of this city. The property loss is estimated at meanly \$1,000,000. Many people are homeless. The fire originated in the American hotel, and, fanned by a southerly wind, swept the entire length of opera house, postoffice, A. O. U. W. building, two bank buildings, the telephone exchange, several saloons, and every drug store, grocery store, butcher shop and hotel on the street. A num-

loor recklessly to scold at the cougar.

As angry Mrs. Ames, her baby frightened into silence by the noise, Ames. opened the bedroom door, she saw in the kitchen looking-glass the reflection | ute." of the congar in the front room eying Austin, Man. June 23.--John Powell aged 13 years, employed by W. C. Wheelof drawers" and the north corner. old boy and then committed suicide.

boldly, she shut the door of the front | Keegan.

She gazed about at the relics of her beloved crockery. That awful spec- the lank bodies. tacle made her angrier than ever, and the partition through which, by standfoe and taunt him.

when a fearful scream came from the arms, and soothed the brave little congar in the front room, which was instantly answered by just such another from a spot not ten feet behind her. She turned her head. Well, inside the open back door cronched a second congar, not so large as the first but rather more evil looking. This was the female. She had stolen fearfully in to look for her mate. She

Mrs. Ames stared one second at the creature, then, desperately enfolding hey baby as if to hide it, she stepped Onion Peak, and a forward, uttering terrified and terristrong wind was driving it so far to-ward the settlement on the Upper Nehalem that some of the people watched the people watched watched strong wind was driving it so far to-had just begin to hiss over the fresh kindling. Whether the screams, or the threat of the kettle, or the forward the people watched motion of Mrs. Ames scared the femotion of Mrs. Ames scar dashed out of the kitchen door.

Then the little womae shut that door and bolted it, and hugged her able. baby and kissed it, and began to laugh hysterically. Frightened as she was, she had a certain sense that it was all very funny, and that congars were as easy to deal with as cats or hens. Her anxiety for the baby's life had quite gone-she felt that she could defeat a cougar with her broomstick, not to mention her formidable kettle

But Mrs. Ames was not out of her troubles yet. She heard a great clawing in the front room, then silence, and she suspected the truth. Rising on the chair and looking through the knot-hole, she saw no congar-he had climbed out by way of the big firean could see a long stretch of the path place and up the enormous chimney. As she stepped down to the floor she heard the muffled fall of the cougar's leap from the top of the chimney to the big shingles of the roof.

There were two of them outside now, and she dared not open the door of the kitchen or any outer door. The sun was nearly down. She suspected ing down at her and the baby through While she rocked the little one and a small, uncurtained window which was between the roof of the shed and the eaves of the house.

ing on the roof-not fifteen feet away from the baby! No wonder the nerves of poor little Mrs. Ames gave way her, clutching with its feeble little again, and she sank down on a kitchen chair almost in a faint.

oody's dog-its owner is coming for ingly, that it seemed that the next She clutched the baby, and at her as if puzzled at the invisible obstacle. Nehalem River, were those three bonneing little pigs. He was to deliver them at his convenience. Now it had been more convenient to go off with the hunting party that day, and

> The pigs, perhaps scenting the cougars, had begun to squeal loudly. The cougars found these sounds interesting. Leaping to the ground, they stared into storehouse through the chinks in its log walls, then enlarged some of these chinks by clawing out chips and hay and earth, then thrus in their sharp claws and tried to seize the pigs. But the pigs, all the time

The cougars soon began looking impatiently about for an entrance. They sprang to the roof of the shed, but found no opening there. They peered down from the edges at the sides. Now a board that finished the top of the slant just under one edge of the roof had been long loosened and hung down. Looking through the chink, the cougars saw the appetizing pigs; they clawed vigorously at the likely to be pushed down, then the it gave way, and in two seconds both mother heard the fierce sweep of wild the sinnous beasts had squirmed

In vain did Mrs. Ames put her account for such noise, and Mrs. hands to her ears-nothing could shut Ames knew that her plates and cups out the shricks and squeals and horand saucers, her preserve dishes, her rid growls. The baby screamed and admired glass pitcher, and probably screamed so that she feared it would her treasured syrup jug, with the Ger- go into convulsions; and the night

Then came a blessed interruptionpartition. In an instant she was as a loud knock combined with a disangry as if Jered had upset her cherd tinctly human kick at the back door. Mrs. Ames rose and opened it. There "Did Jered take his gun up

the same instant, slipping forward fear and eagerness, bravely helped FIELDS OF ADVENTURE.

She tied a bunch of paper loosely The other door and the windows of about a broom-handle and sprinkled that room were all closed, and now kerosene over the torch. She stood Mrs. Ames felt that she was mistress on a barrel and held this light up to of the situation. The congar seemed to feel so, too; while she listened and the shed. They did not dare to spring peeped at the keyhole, the wild creat at the fire. In fact, they had not five are shuffled around uneasily inside. seconds to decide on any proceeding. "Yes, you can snoop round in for, Keegan, putting the muzzle of there, knocking my things over," said the double-barrelled gun through a Mrs. Ames, aloud and vengefully, clink in the wall of the shed, shot but when Jered comes home he will both neatly, from a distance of six feet. The charges of shot passed solidly, like great bullets, through

And then Mrs. Ames surprised and then she remembered a knot-hole in alarmed the settler as never cougars could. She went into hysterics, and ing on a chair, she could watch her was still wildly laughing and crying at once, when her husband came up Mrs. Ames had one foot on the chair the path, and held her in his strong mother to quiet while the tired baby went contentedly to sleep .- Youth's Companion.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. A microbe that lives and multiplies n strong alcohol has been discovered

by Veley. Dr. Albert C. Peale reports to the Government that there are 8822 known mineral springs in the United States. Anthracite coal discovered at historic Kings Mountain, North Caro-

facture of wagon wheels in France, it being found cheaper and quite as dur-

The number of stars visible to the naked eye is less than 6000. The number of stars visible through the largest telescopes is probably not less than 100,000,000. The cylindrical bales of cotton now

shipped from the United States to Liverpool are pronounced a great improvement upon the first specimens, and also upon the old bale. The course of the blood-vessels in dead animals or birds is now examined

by the X-rays. In order to make the

arteries, etc., give a photograph, or "radiograph," they are first injected with mercury. Very beautiful results have been thus attained. There are twenty-six pencil works in Bavaria, of which twenty-three are in Nuremberg, the great European centre of the lead pencil trade. These fac-

tories employ from 8000 to 10,000 workers, and produce 4,300,000 lead and colored chalk pencils every week. The Sussman electric miner's lamp, cells, with an incandescent lamp athours and give a light from two and a half to five times brighter than the ordinary miner's lamp. It keeps alight in any position and is not extinguished by a current of air or an explosion.

Peat is treated in an English proess, patented by Mr. Blundell, by being formed into paste, molded into tubes four or five inches through, then cut into sticks and dried for three or four weeks. Thus prepared, the material can be used as fuel, or it can be more profitably made into charcoal in retorts. Three tons of peat make one ton of charcoal. The process is to be tested in Italy, where are large deposits of peat.

#### WISE WORDS.

All days are short where pleasure eigns.

Zeal without knowledge is fire without light. Failure often puts forth the bright-

st blossoms. Virtue and happiness are mother

and daughter. Wise men make more opportunities than they find.

The small woman very often has the biggest heart. The fool is the only one that does

not fear responsibility. It is not wise to despise wealth, but it is far inferior to moral worth.

In the garden of humanity the weed oo often takes prominence of the

It is not enough for a thing to be good, but it must be good at the right moment.

It is one thing to wish to have to wish to be on the side of truth. Never make fun of a man because

The man who staggers least under the weight of reverses is the man who walks upright when the sky is cloud-

Who is a true man? He who does the truth, and never holds a principle on which he is not prepared in any

hour to act, and in any hour to risk the consequences of holding it.

An Old Nesting Place.

the hotel in Dickson recently, when "Uncle" Charley Smith, ninety-four years, declared that the average life of this fowl is 100 years. Four miles north of Dickson, in a lonely forest, stands an old hollow oak with an entrance at the root. In this "Uncle' stood Keekan, the settler who owned Charley declares that seventy-five the pigs. He had come down the years ago, he found while hunting river and up the path to inquire for game, a nest of young buzzards, two them, and he had already peered into in all. The mother bird, which could the shed through the chinks. There be distinguished by a white feather in the congars were too happily engaged her right wing, made a great protest to worry themselves because of any against "Uncle" Charley's intrusion, man. Keegan had dimly seen them and he left the brood unmolested. door when the precious crockery fell, by the little light through the hole and his leap had sent him into the they had made in the gable.

Ever since the same buzzard has reared her brood of two fleecy goslings in her brood of two fleecy goslings in this secluded spot, and no one knows how long she had occupied the place before "Uncle" Charley found her. thought of the gun!" cried Mrs. The young birds, until they are six weeks old, are white and bear a strong resemblance to a gosling. They are very timid and on the approach of an enemy they always hide their heads her, and she screamed at it with such got the spunk to hold a light for me, and leave their bodies exposed. Their shrillness that the scared beast shrank we'll fetch those congars." He ex- abode is very foul, and in these sevinto the dark space between the "chest plained his plan. Mrs. Ames put the enty-five years no animal has ever

only I didn't make it.

DEEDS ON LAND AND SEA.

Ended the Agony of a Comrade-Courage of a Spanish Girl. "It was in 1863 and 1864, when the

some money smuggling cotton from Texas across the Mexican border," said David C. Develley, of New Or-'It was in May, 1864, that, with a

for the Rio Grande with cotton, my outfit was jumped by the Comanches a hundred miles south of San Antonio. There were ten men of us all told, and seventy or eighty of the Comanches. We saw them in time and corralled our wagons, with the mules safe behind them, and stood the Indians off. But there was one man named Morton, a young fellow who had come along with our party for the sake of adventure, whom they captured. He had gone out for antelope and was a mile from the wagons when the Indians swooped down and cut him off. He ran for it and gave them a chase; but his horse tripped in a badger hole and threw him, and that settled his fate. He fought for his life and emptied a couple of Indian saddles, and as the Comanches closed round him we all prayed that he might be killed on the spot. But when the Indians scattered out and rode toward us we saw poor Morton among them astride a pony, his feet tied together under the animal with one of the In-

dians leading the pony by a lariat. "We were kept pretty busy for about three hours, the Indians circling us, lying along their ponies' sides so as to show us no mark except a foot, and firing their guns and arrows from under the animals' necks. We were well protected by our wagons and none of us was hurt; and after we had killed four ponies and wounded an Indian or two the Comanches had enough of it and drew off. But they did not go away. They only went well out of rifle range, and then they stopped and cooked their supper, showing that they meant to stay with us longer. Before sunset they scalped poor Morton in full view of us, and an Indian rode toward the wagons parading the

was no moon. pany could stand it no longer. under a wagon out from the corral.

"'What are you going to do, Bill?" "'You wait and see,' he answered,

'and if I don't come back -it's all right.' "We had no men to spare where we were, and Bill was the best man

among us-but I let him go, only say-" 'Be careful, Bill, Don't go so far

away that you can't get back. The longevity of the buzzard was being discussed by a party of men at they would storm our barricade, in

which case our show would be a slim one. But they thought better of it ful at the Duke of Cambridge's deand drew off, though twice again in jeuner given at Cannes, in honor of the night they crept up through the the Duchess of York and the Prince grass and sent a flight of arrows into of Wales. Fragrant Neapolitan viothe corral. Bill was fighting, with us, lets were selected for a centre bed, at the end of the skirmish, and when making a background for the Prince it was over I asked him about his ex- of Wales's feathers, carried out in Morton,' was all I could get him to yellow jonquil flowers. In the centre say, and he never could be induced to was a mound of violets, with the let-

staved with me until I got back to San Antonio, and would have gone with me on my next cotton smuggling trip, enough of the country."-- New York

of a Spanish girl.

fare, and the inhabitants of Saragossa were in a desperate plight. other.

It soon became evident that she was in search of the body of her mother,

the soldiers' hearts with pity. A moment later a despairing cry anwhich she had risked her life. The Polish guards watch her movements with something like awe as she stooped and tenderly wrapped the mutilated form of the dead woman in a cloak and began to drag it away. Suddenly the girl paused and seized a heavy cartridge-box that lay in her path, with an energy that seemed almost supernatural. Her frail, delicate form swayed and staggered beneath the weight of her burden, but she did not hesitate.

miration filled the astonished watchers as they perceived that there, before their very faces, she was taking from them an instrument for future vengeance upon them.

were almost destitute of ammunition, and the motherless daughter sought to But the strain was becoming almost

more than she could bear; she ered armfuls of last year's dried grass stumbled, and a cry of terror broke and buffalo chips before sundown, from her lips. The Polish soldiers and stretched Morton upon his back glanced from one to another, and then, on the ground, with his hands and moved by a chivalrous impulse, they feet tied to stakes. When darkness lowered sabre and musket, and as with recently tried with success in Belgium, fell they built a fire upon his chest one accordahundred voices called out, consists of a small accumulator of two and held up torches of dried grass "Do not be afraid, little one! We will

writhings by the light of the Indians' her gruesome burden between a double torches. Elsewhere it was pitch dark, line of her country's foes, who made a her gruesome burden between a double silent salute as she crossed their boundaries and returned to her desolate home.

a cripple.

men with its paws. One of its claws caught his abdomen and practically disembowelled him. His cries for help were heard and his companions

Vienna has been astonished lately by some daring steeple climbing. steeple jack celebrated the beginning of the festivities for Emperor Francis

white carnations, and with the bands "I reckon I spiled their fun with picked out in scarlet geraniums and ter "G" placed so as to face the Duke "We looked for another attack from of Cambridge, and "A E" to face the Prince of Wales.

The diamond is full of phosphorus.

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

government's disposal for furnishing powder and shell, the naval authorities find the supply on hand is not yet sufficient to form a safe reserve, and even should the fleets not use up much immesupply. There is no apprehension that, Even at the present rate of deliveries the entire fleet could not be supplied in four months. Every pound of powder, as fast as manufactured, is turned over to the civil war. The capacity of every factory is now worked to the full limit, and it is not conceived to be possible to increase the output very much. Still, even at the present rate, it would take the product of several days to supply the serve supply capable of meeting every demand for several weeks. The same, he says, will be true of projectiles. At present 2000 projectiles of the heavlest type naval stations for transfer to vessels. juries. On hand are thousands of all classes, and especially of the smaller kind, of which battle. Every branch of ordnance seems to be amply fortified for any emergency, and especially is this true of guns and

IN A PECULIAR POSITION-Congress, as may have been noticed, recently endorsed the claim of the southern Methodist book concern for \$288,000 on account of damages inflicted during the civil war. This claim had been kicking about the lobbies of the national capitol for a quarter of a century. The book storm and the weather was very cold. concern is managed by a committee of the general conference of the Methodist church south, and its profits go to the support of superannuated ministers. Its agents are Barbee & Smith of Nashville. When the claim was last pending in the senate there was a report in circulation that a large fraction of the claim had been pledged to a lobbyist. On inquiry Barbee & Smith explicitly denied that lobbyists were to get anything. Since the approval of the claim it has been found that one Major Stahlman had been working at Washington for the concern on a promise of 35 per cent of the money obtained from the United States treasury, and that this percentage has been or is to be paid. The consequence was a lively indignation session of the senate last Thursday over the deception, and an investigation has been ordered. Meantime the government of the Methodist church south has been placed in a peculiar position. EQUAL TO THE OCCASION-There

was an amusing incident in the course of Saturday's debate on the Hawaiian resolution in the house. Champ Clark of Missouri said that the policy of colonization, "while gorgeous in appearance," was "fatal in experience or else all history is a lie," and then he went on: 'Mr. Speaker, if this policy is pursued as the Jingoes want and you are here presiding over the house 20 years hence, you will be called upon to recognize the gentleman from Patagonia, the gentleman from Cuba, the gentleman from Porto Rico, the gentleman from Greenland, the gentleman from Hong-Kong, the gentleman from Fiji, and with fear and trembling the gentleman from the Cannibal islands, as he gazes with gleaming eyes and glistening teeth upon your imposing and tempting self." This brought down the house, but it then appeared that Mr. Reed, whose great avordupois was to arouse the appetite of the representative from Cannibal islands, was not presiding, but occupied a seat on the floor. Whereat another great laugh arose which was met in excellent humor by Clark, who added: is unnecessary to say I prepared that for the regular occupant of the chair."

waited on President McKinley the day before Mr. Straus was nominated minister to Turkey and informed him that Mr. Straus was a wicked free trader, and that he had spoken and written against McKinlevism and Dinglevism, "Is that so?" said the president. "Then the best thing to do with him is to send him out of the country at once, and I'm going to

She says that since she married she has been through everything. Yes. Her husband says the same thing.

Two Deaths From Collision.

New York, June 20.-Captain Ros of the People's line steamboat Adirondack reported having been in collision Saturday at midnight on the Hudson with the schooner Gamecock, coal laden. The schooner was cut down to the water's edge and her crew of three men thrown into the river. These were Captain Mason, his brother and his nephew. The two latter were drowned, but the skipper was rescued and brought to New York. Captain Mason received slight injuries

#### General Vermont News.

POSTERS, HANDBILLS,

J. L. Shippee recently shot a bear in

The grand list of Barre city increased

+JOB WORK+

BILL HEADS, LETTER HEADS. CIRCULARS, ENVELOPES, CARDS, ETC., ETC., ETC.

Done at This Office With Beatness and Despate

Prices AWAY DOWN

EDWARD C. DANA.

\$20,754 last year. Bethel still has hopes of getting a devele rim factory.

Two horses have just died recently at Marlboro of diptheria.

A new Methodist church has been dedicated at South Albany.

Henry Dickerman of Lyndon has planted 13 acres of beans.

Brattleboro people saw a meteor and

felt an earthquake June 11.

David E. Paine, a prominent man, is dead at Strafford, aged 70. A Barre city man shot a fox in his

back yard the other night, Enoch Wood, one of the oldest residents of Quebec, is dead, at the age of

C. F. Britton of Brattleboro had two ribs broken by a fall in the paper mill

The Montpelier high school graduated a class of 19; the Randolph high school a class of 7.

Clarence Roof of Gassetts was prostrated by electricity during a recent thunder storm. Seldon Noyes of Wilder came near

losing his life recently by the explosion of an oil stove. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carpenter of

ding this month. Mrs. Olive Read, mother of Hon. L. M Read of Bellows Falls, has just died at Jamaica, aged 76.

Kidden & Southard of Bethel have sold 30,000 pounds of wood to the Burlington Woolen company. Lieutenant Hovey, Twenty-fourth infantry, has arrived at the fort and has

A mad dog created considerable exitement in Brattleboro, but was killed

before it bit anyone. P. L. Sprague, a prominent citizen of Sheridan, Nev., is dead. He was a native

Hon. Gilbert A. Davis of Windsor was taken suddenly ill while trying a case

in Windsor county court. Several persons were injured by the breaking down of the Methodist church steps at Hartland recently.

A pair of horses belonging to J. M. Grant of Chelsea ran away recently and one was killed by colliding with a tree. John Philip Sousa will take the first toliday he has had for 16 years and will

spend the summer on a Vermont farm. Hon. Henry Ballard was taken sick while delivering the address before the Randolph high school graduating class. Bennie Russon, aged 8, fell 50 feet, from the railroad bridge at Dummerston, to are completed daily, and shipped to the rocks below and sustained serious in-

> After securing a large number of delegates, J. C. Jones withdrew as a candicounty.

> Judge J. E. Weeks of Middlebury has been appointed commissioner of the Vermont Industrial school in place of C. W. Read, deceased.

fieth United States Infantry has been promoted to be a brigadier general. He was formerly from Putney. Fifty-six years ago this month Brattleboro was visited by a severe snow-

All vegetation was destroyed. The most brilliant society wedding of the season at Burlington was that of Arthur P. Stockwell of Boston and Miss

Frank Kendall of Putney was serlously injured while racing his horse against a bicycle. The carriage collided

there being 36 visitors from Rising Star Grange in Bethel. The harvest march

was the feature of the evening. Major N. P. Bowman of St. Johnsbury was appointed foreman of the grand jury at the June term of the Caledonia county court. On call of the docket 28 cases were found for trial, but of these several had been settled and others were contined on call. About 20 stand

among the first settlers of the town of Arlington and the family has always been prominent in the county. His only surviving son is James H. Canfield. chancellor of the Ohio state university at Athens. He also leaves a daughter,

The Bellows Falls steam laundry does work for 2000 customers. Thirty-three hands are employed and it is one of the largest in the state. The proprietor, G. F. Wheeler, started a few years ago a poor boy, but by hard work, industry and ability has made a small fortune.

The statement that the meteorite which

fell somewhere in northern Vermont recently is in anybody's door yard, or that anyone has yet seen it, much less carried off specimens of it, may be set down as untrue. Professor G. H. Perkins visited Jeffersonville and the locality where the meteorite was supposed to have fallen, but could find no trace of it. He has no doubt that a meteor has fallen, but judging from the time that elapsed between seeing the meteor and hearing the explosion, he is of the opinion that it fell several miles further south than the teamsters thought it did; and he thinks it quite likely that it fell somewhere on the eastern slope of the

wooded and the area is so large that the chance of finding it is, unfortunately, very remote. A Princess Abducted. London, June 22 .- A band of 40 brigands, according to a special dispatch

stantinople, where she resided. Parker has arrived at Arichap, C. B. She reports the loss of George Lloyd, 23

WOODSTOCK BUSINESS CARDS. Dental Rooms.

yading them all, she should be very control of the seal.

—Lloyd Mifflin. 

> HERE had been for

settler named Keegau.

affrighted the child, stared down the path, and there saw a moving thing

back to the settlement. I must hurry grasp it screamed as if in the wildest terror-a note which made her again pigs, and on the instant both vanished. wonder what ailed it. Into the kitchen she ran, put the kettle again on the stove, and thrust in some kindling. Then she went into her bedroom, just off the kitchen, and tried to brush her

while she held the crying baby with It struck her, after a little while, that she ought to have heard the footstep, or voice, or knock of the stranger, and she turned from her tiny looking

beyond which is the open door of the kitichen. There stood a full-grown cougar, or mountain-lion! She recognized the beast at the first glauce, although she had never seen one before, and in that one dazed glance she wondered if all wild beasts

were so gaunt and rusty-looking. In the next instant the wild shrick of her baby roused her to action, and she threw her shoulder against the door just as the rusty, tawny, long body crouched. The latch snapped down; then the door shook as if from one blow of a heavy, wadded mallet, and the thin partition of upright boards rattled and creaked. The little woman stood in mortal terror, and the baby,

For an instant the partition seemed claws across the boards, and then through the hole and dropped into the there was a great crash in the kitchen. shed. Nothing but a fall of crockery could man silver top, had all tumbled at once from the shelves fastened to the had all tumbled at was falling fast. ished things; her courage came back in full force, and she pulled open the

He had been frightened badly already; he had leaped like a frightened cat out of the kitchen at a bound, but he had not leaped out of the house. He had gone the other way. His head had been toward an open interior "front room," where he stood surprised, alarmed, awaiting something with him?" asked Keegan.

room with a slam.

teach you to snoop!"

was a congar suspecting a trap.

Staring at her -- both of them crouch-

Still she was conscious of those hungry, staring eyes; and sae could not move-she could barely keep the baby from falling out of her arms! They stared so deliberately, so gloatmoment they would crash through the glass and down at her. Now one of them put its claw forward and felt the glass, and then began to claw it softly, Suddenly both rose; they had heard Among the last freight sent up to Jered Ames with directions to deliver it to a settler named Keegan, up the

so Jered had put the pigs in the covered shed, or storehouse, in which there happened to be nothing which they

squealing loudly, easily kept out of

"No. Well, now, to think I never "I gness I'll just borrow it a minnte," said Keegan. "Are there any cartridges? Good! Now if you've

baby down on the floor in her bed- been known to disturb the nest, nor The small woman understood instantly room and came out and shut the door, has a gosling ever been known to die. that the cougar was frightened, and in and trembling with excitement and -Nashville (S. C.) Banner.

THRILLING INCIDENTS AND DARING

rture by Comanches Brought to a Sudden Close-Bill Whitehead's Shot That Civil War was the hottest, that I made

train of six four-mule wagons bound

There was no possible way for us to rescue the captive from the Indians. From behind our barricade be in some degree avenged. we could see them making their preparations to torture him. They gaththat we might see. His shrieks came not hurt you." to our ears and we could see his for the night was cloudy and there

"We endured this sight for a few minutes, and then one of our com-The est shot in our outfit was Bill Whitehead. He could do wonderful shooting with a long, muzzle-loading rifle of the pattern known in the South as a back rifle, and which carried a round bullet weighing twenty-four to the pound. He looked to the priming of his piece, laid his hat on the ground, and, without a word, began to crawl

"He was out of sight in a minute, crawling away in the darkness through the long grass. Ten, fifteen, twenty minutes passed while we looked and waited. We could see the captive in his agony, and, between the Indians' yells, could hear his shricks. Then somewhere near the Indians a flame spouted from the grass, and as the report of Bill's rifle came back to our ears the shricking ceased suddenly and Morton lay still upon the ground. There was a commotion among the Indians, who for a few moments seemed completely rattled. By the light of the torches they dropped and the dreadful fire upon poor Morton's body we could see some of them ruth on our side, and another thing firing toward the spot where the rifle had flashed, and others darting toward the place where their ponies were his trousers are short. His intellect tethered. Their guns flashed nearer. may be several feet longer than your arrows whistled toward the wagons, and we could catch the hoof-beats of ponies on the run toward us as Bill's tall figure loomed suddenly in the darkness and he fell breathless between two wagon wheels, still clutching his rifle. We pulled him into the corral, and then for a few minutes had a lively time beating off the Comanches, who were all about us, frantic with rage. An Indian will seldom give battle in darkness, always choosing an hour in which there is some daylight; but the Comanches were so furious that it looked at one time as if

> perience over at the Indians' camp. atter another word on the subject. the Comanches in the early dawn, but with the break of day we saw that they had gone. Evidently they thought us 'bad medicine,' and safer to let alone. Some of us went over This quality has been known for cento where poor Morton was lying turies, and still there are many who scalped, with the ashes of the fire do not know it. That is the reason upon his breast, and the hole clean often that gleams of light are seen is through his body of a bullet that had suing from the stone in the dark. To passed through his heart. Bill White this quality alone attaches a great deal head did not go with us to the place, of value. The most phosphorescent We buried Morton and started on with stone is the one that is the best cut. the wagon train, reaching the Rio If there be phosphorus in the stone, it Grand without seeing another Indian. is greatly enhanced by proper cutting. I gave Bill Whitehead a fine revolver so that its scintillating faculties are in token of what he had done. He increased.

A Little Heroine. Baron Lejeune, who played a conspicuous part at the siege of Saragossa during the Peninsular War, narrates in his "Memoires" a singular story of that terrible time, a story that speaks equally well for the chivalry of the soldiers of France and for the courage

There had been fearful carnage within the walls of the unfortunate city; even the convents and monasteries were racking with evidences of war-

A band of Polish soldiers, belonging to the French army, had been stationed on guard at a certain point, with orders to fire upon any Spaniard who might pass them. Suddenly a girl of about fifteen years of age appeared among them. A cry of warning was heard on every side as she approached, but the child seemed not to hear. She only continued to utter one ceaseless and piercing wail, "Mia madre! mia madre!" as she hurried from one group of dead and wounded Spaniards to an-

and the pale, agonized face of the child, whose filial love had made her almost insensible to danger, touched nonneed that she had found that for

A thrill of mingled horror and ad-

The inhabitants of the besieged city put into the hands of her countrymen a means by which her wrongs might

Mr. Hathaway Remembers That Bear J. L. Hathaway, an old-timer of Montana, is visiting Butte. Nineteen years ago, while prospecting in the South Boulder country, he met with an adventure which almost cost him his life and which rendered him

While out in the mountains he was attacked by a big bear, and before he was able to defend himself the bear struck him a blow on the left arm near the wrist, breaking the bone and knocking him down. He fell between two rocks with his feet toward the bear so that the latter was unable to reach him. Hathaway defended himself as hest he could with his feet to prevent the bear reaching his head. During this time Hathaway was yelling for help, his companions being some distance away. The bear was becoming more ferocious every minute and finally rushed for his abdo-

upon the approach of the men. Hathaway, more dead than alive, was carried to his cabin. He remained for several days without a doctor nutil one was secured in Boulder, but he recovered from his injuries sufficiently to walk around. The bone of his arm was, however, shattered so badly by the blow of the bear that the arm is useless .- Butte Daily Inter-Mountain.

Joseph's jubilee by climbing in the night to the top of one of the steeples of the Votive Church, 306 feet from the ground, by means of the lightning rods and architectural ornaments, and hanging on it a yellow and black banner tweaty feet long. He gave a mi-nute description of the mauner in which he accomplished his foolhardy feat to the newspapers. A few nights later some one else imitated him by climbing the steeple and stealing the A Royal Breakfast Table. The table decorations were beauti-

Why the Diamond Gleams.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.] THE SUPPLY OF POWDER AND SHELL-With all the resources at the

diately it will be fully two weeks before the department will feel comfortable over the quantity of both powder and projectiles it has on hand. Every factory in the country capable of manufacturing the powder and shell suitable for the navy has been working full time for upward of five weeks, and had such a start not been made every squadron now at sea might have been crippled, at least temporarily, for want of an adequate

whatever may be the extent of the war, or however fierce and protracted some of the naval engagements may be, the government will always be in a position to meet every demand fr ammunition, but the experts are asking more than that, and desire to lay up a large reserve supply which they can use, should, by any chance, all the powder factories be blown up or disabled, and all the projectile shops be rendered helpless for a few weeks. The present output of powder mounts to about 16,000 pounds a day,

of which 12,000 is furnished by an Eastern firm, and the remained by a concern on the Pacific coast, which has fitted out the Charleston, and provided most of the Bridgewater celebrated their silver wedpowder for Admiral Dewey's fleet at Manila. This powder includes some of the smokeless variety as well, but so limited is the quantity that so far it has been impossible to fit out more than three ships with full magazines of it.

the leading government magazines, and assumed command. from them sent south in such quantities as may be demanded by the ships. The casual bombardment of the Cuban towns and the continued firing on San Juan consumed thousands of pounds of the best powder made in this country, and more of it was burned probably in the of Randolph, this state, latter engagement than the entire navy has expended in saluting purposes since

amount used by Admiral Sampson's squadron in his recent San Juan bombardment. Captain O'Neil, the ordnance chief, states that not only will the navy in another week have all the powder that it may possibly require, but a re-

en times as many are used in actual date for state's attorney in Rutland

Major Lloyd Wheaton of the Twen-

Annie, daughter of F. L. Taft, of St.

with a telephone pole, throwing him out. The carriage was a total wreck. The bicycle won, as usual. Randolph Grange received 13 candidates into full membership at the last meeting, and a banquet in their honor was served. About 175 partook of it,

Rev. Eli Hawley Canfield, LL. D. has just died in Arlington, where he had lived for the past 20 years. He was 81 years old and had been in failing health for some time. He was a well known Episcopal clergyman, having been rector at Christ church in Brooklyn, N. Y., 20 years and of St. Peter's in New York for three years. His ancestors were

who lives at Arlington.

Mount Mansfield. This slope is heavily

from Constantinople, has abducted a sister of the sultan. The princess was Kizil Toprak, a few miles from Con

on the banks, his dory mate being rescued after having clung to the dory's bottom

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Opponents of Hawaiian Annexation Are Determined.

Will Talk Against Time; Outcome

Impossible of Prediction.

Washington, June 20.-The Hawaiian question comes to the front again in the senate during the present week, but under somewhat different circumstances the annexation of the islands to the United States, but the effort at that time was to secure this result by means of a treaty, whereas the present course is through the instrumentality of a joint resolution. On the first occasion the patter was considered in executive session with the public excluded, while now

What the outcome of the discussion may be, or when a vote will be reached nobody will undertake to say positively. The leaders on both sides are full of tion assert that there is no possible doubt of their ability to pass the resolution, as they have 46 senators, or one more than a quorum, pledged to remain in the senate until the question can be decided: the opposition leaders declare that 48 senators have assured them that they will vote to adjourn in preference to remaining in session indefinitely for the consideration of the Hawaiian ques-

secured in 10 days, while the opposition contends that it will be found impossible to secure a vote during the present session of congress. The advocates of annexation declare they will make no speeches, leaving the opponents to occupy all the time to be consumed by this means; the opposition say they are willing to make the speeches f compelled to do so, but if forced to do this they will insist that the friends of the measure shall maintain a constant quorum in the senate chamber. They also predict that the annexationists will

condition, one can only base prediction upon general conditions. There is no the other. doubt, in the first place, that the annexationists have a majority in the senate if a vote can be reached. If a vote about 54 for annexation to 35 against it in a full senate. Of these 54 senators there are, however, quite a number who are not zealous and in whose minds all doubt as to the policy of the acquisition of outside territory has not been overcome. The senators as a rule are indisposed to remain in session for any length of time during the whole summer months to carry Hawaiian annexation. Most of the senators of this class are Republi cans, and there is probably a sufficient number of them under normal circumstances to join with the Democrats to

#### day in the next session increases and many persons are predicting that this will be the outcome.

Utah City Wiped Out by Fire.

selves confronted, however, with the re-

and pass the resolution as a war meas

ure, and some are disposed to sink their

own preference in obedience to the presi-

dential wish. The gossip as to the prob-

Divided Honors Evenly. Grand Rapids, June 23.-The ticket nominated by the state conventions of the Democrats, Populists and silver Republicans of Michigan represents an equal distribution between the three parties. The platforms do not conflict on any essential point. That adopted by the Populists is, perhaps, less radical than heretofore and, at the request of the Populists, a plank was inserted in the Democratic platform favoring the initiative and referendum. The silver Republicans also modified their declaration to make it more in accordance with

Suicide of Young Murderer

the Democratic platform.